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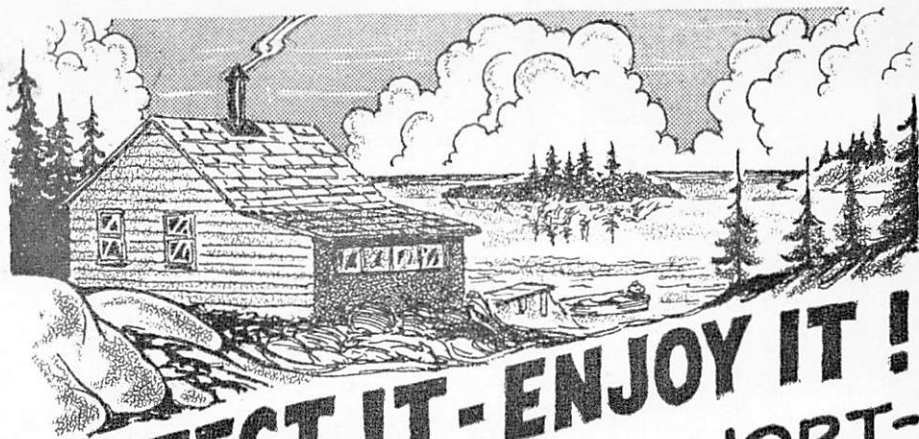
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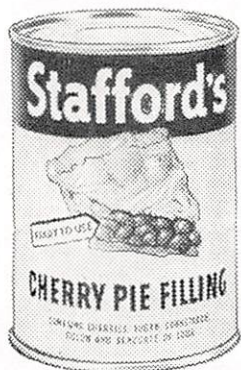
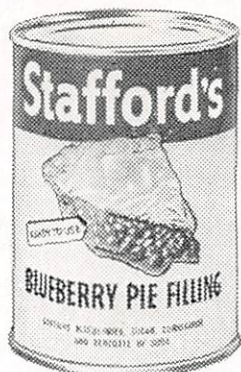
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# PERSPECTIVES

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# CHALLENGES

EDITORIAL

By E. FLYNN

The Canadian Camping Association has expanded. Only nine years ago "a momentous decision was made by the Executive Committee of the Canadian Camping Association to hold its first conference in Ottawa . . . there in the Conference rooms of the Chateau Laurier, our vision widened and we saw the camping movement as a nationwide challenge and opportunity." So wrote the Editor of the Ontario Camp Bulletin, as our magazine was called in what now seems a far-off day.

We say "far-off". Well it isn't so far off, really. But much has come to pass in that time. 1955 membership has come, through dint of struggle, to represent Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia. As of last spring we have, happily, half a dozen members in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, one in Newfoundland and one in Hawaii, all of whom make use of our services. Our vision *has* widened, the camping movement *has* been on the march "as a nation-wide challenge and opportunity". It has stretched its wings beyond the bounds of our shores.

But can we pause at any one point? Isn't it true that the challenge is always with us? Nine years ago it was one of seeking members to increase our numbers, an on-going process. Today, education on a very broad scale, to the

public and to members themselves, provides the motivation. While camping itself has progressed, we admit to shortcomings. Camp staff, in many instances, is still far too young to assume responsibility for the lives of small children. In others, equipment, health and sanitation leave much to be desired. Water-front areas are not always what they should be. We have before us a first-hand report of a camp "which sends boys on trips within the first three or four days of camp without any training, and before some of them know how to swim. The staff claims they teach them on the trips."

If we tolerate it, this brand of second-rate provision for campers is neither worthy of the standards our Association has set nor of the ideals we profess; and when it exists anywhere in this land of ours, our challenge is to wipe it out through a broad educational programme, which, being too vast a project for the Provincial organizations themselves, can only be shared by regional groups.

Parents also present a challenge. Drawing our conclusions from telephone calls at National Office and from mail received from all parts of Canada after any of our National broadcasts, Canadians now want camping for their children as they have never wanted it before; parents have no idea where to

begin the search for good camps; many of them are not aware that any camps exist. So they turn to us for guidance; they expect perfection and we should be able to approximate it. Here is work for regional groups to do . . . education . . . public relations . . . the spreading of the gospel of good camping . . . the call is there and we can rise to it.

This does not mean to say that we stipulate one type of camping as the only type, outstripping all others because it happens to be well-nigh perfect. There is room for as many distinct kinds of programme and framework as there are directors to run them, providing the philosophy is sound and ideals high.

The proof lies between these very covers. Read the absorbing account of the Boy Scout World Jamboree. Where else will you find sound planning on such a gigantic scale? Scan the Lake O'Hara Girl Guide story and the C.G.I.T. Leadership Laboratory report. Both present camping classed as the best in the world. The same can be said of Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. camping, of Agency, Church and private camping.

Within each structure, however, and among private camping people, are those who need reassurance and the stimulation of new ideas. They require the know-how of good camping if they are to carry on. Provincial sections of C.C.A. can provide an opportunity for members to meet at least once, twice or even three times a year. In the vast areas of the West and the Maritimes, even in closely-populated Ontario and Quebec, this is not enough. Camping people need to meet with their own

fraternity in their own districts, and the regional group is the answer. We at National Office watch such developments in the West; the organization of an Ottawa Area Section of the Ontario Camping Association, where seventy-two representatives from nineteen different camps met last May to outline meetings for this year. It is rumoured that London and Guelph districts will follow suit. In June, forty to fifty people met at Lone Cloud Camp, Miller's Lake, Nova Scotia, for a three-day Conference-Workshop, to draw Maritime camping folk into a working body.

And so the trend goes. If the forming of regional groups under the aegis of each Provincial Section will involve a greater number of interested people in the establishment of our standards and aims, then let us hear of more of them, their birth and growth.

The aim of our Association this year is, as it was at the beginning of our existence, to "take upon itself the far-reaching responsibilities of enthusing, strengthening and developing a Dominion-wide camping movement". In this year of 1955 we reaffirm that pledge, and see that the enthusing, strengthening and developing reach across Canada to every director, every staff member who removes children from the care of home for any part of the summer months. Surely our leadership can stimulate our members to believe that the only kind of camping we will recognize is that which provides health and safety, good food, absorbing programme, a broad vision to campers and reassurance to parents.

Such is our challenge and opportunity today, here and now.

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# ***National News & Notes***

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A change has been made! Our readers have probably noticed before we could tell them that while this issue is Volume 8, we have called it Number One in the series. If we were to carry on as usual, it would have been Number Four, and there is sound reason for the alteration. Beginning with this number, the pages will run consecutively from one issue to the next, so that by the time June rolls around the page numbers might be up in the two hundreds. The end result enables us to present an index of articles for the whole year, in the hope that you will find your way through all magazines as you refer to their articles next summer.

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When it comes to the presentation of personality stories in *Among Ourselves*, the honour is ours, too, as we try to pay homage in one small way to those pioneers who have done so much for Canadian children. So far, with the exception of the late Miss Fanny Case, our stories have been of those who are, we're happy to say, still with us to continue their support of our work. So this summer, the news of the passing of "Ace" Milks came as a great shock. As one member of the Ottawa staff said: "We simply cannot imagine the Ottawa 'Y' without him. Camp On-Da-Da-Waks is a monument to the leadership he gave during his whole life."

The late Mr. Milks, born in Earley, Quebec, enjoyed an outstanding career, first as Assistant at the Ottawa "Y" in

1916. The next year brought the Boys' Secretaryship under his supervision, and in 1939 he became Assistant General Secretary, from which position he retired in 1950. Camp On-Da-Da-Waks was his special interest, and it is through his leadership that he was able to touch the lives of so many young people.

Mr. Milks is survived by his widow, Mrs. Florence C. Milks, and two sons, William and John, both of Montreal, Quebec, to whom we offer our sincere condolences.

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Things are looking up in British Columbia, as they always are in that lively section. In the late spring, the B.C. Association co-operated with the University Extension Department in a Family Camping Course, at which Mr. Chuck Roche, B.C.C.A.'s Public Relations Chairman, explained the function of the Camping Association and gave a talk on Family Camping, as part of the venture.

Another highlight of their spring programme was the visit of Professor Charles Hendry, Director of Toronto's School of Social Work. His informal and informative talk on the general topic of leadership, camping and character, made such an impression that B.C. people are waiting to hear him again. A most stimulating evening, this, and one which many will long remember.



Among our recent visitors at National Office, and bubbling over with enthusiasm, was Mrs. Helen Anthony of Camp Arcadie, Nova Scotia, of whom Mr. John Hoyle writes below. Mrs. Anthony cheered us with bits of this-and-that about her seaside camp for girls, her eagerness for a Maritime Association, and the work she hopes to do on that behalf as our most recent Maritime member.

Another glowing personality comes from a point more distant; Miss Gwennant Davies' address is Swyddfa'n Urdd, Aberysthwyth, Wales, and she is the Director of Training and Camping for the Welsh League of Youth. She had much to tell us of camping, which is now coming into its own in her land of beauty and song, but we won't spoil her story; she is to write for us for a later issue this year, after her return from Regina and Winnipeg.

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During the colourful fall weeks, Mr. John Hoyle, Past President of the Ontario section, paid a visit to the Maritimes to bring us his impression of one or two camps he saw on the way. Makes us want to see them now . . . vite!

"Camp Arcadie! One will not forget it easily, nestling on the slopes of that perfect saucer of natural beauty Nova Scotians have so aptly named Sandy Cove. The Cove covers, perhaps, half a square mile of sea when the tide is in; when the tide is out, it is devoid of water, and becomes a home for shell fish, notably lobsters, and the graceful, ever-swerving sea gulls.

"Mrs. Helen J. Anthony, director of Camp Arcadie, had vision when,

twenty-five years ago, she purchased the western side of the Cove, an area solid with coniferous trees, and with no access to the public road. Now she has a beautiful campus, and many dreams yet to be fulfilled. What struck us mightily was that every sleeping cabin contained a small lounge and an open fireplace. Providing a relatively free, well-supervised programme, she is developing a site and a programme that are most promising. In the person of Mrs. Anthony, we welcome our newest member to the Canadian Camping Association.

"Just across the Digby Neck from Camp Arcadie and high on the bluffs of the Bay of Fundy itself, lies Camp Champlain, a camp for boys, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Prat. The owners spend the winter in Washington, D.C., where Mr. Prat is a master in an exclusive school for boys; the summers they spend in their choice eyrie below which the tides sweep to and fro on their way to Saint John, New Brunswick, and Chicnectu Peninsula. A small camp but ambitious, it is only five years old but well-equipped, growing in equipment and personnel; Camp Champlain is 'on the way up'.

"Across the waters of St. Mary's Bay and five miles over from Camp Arcadie is the Y.M.C.A. Boys' Camp, Aldercliff. Operated for many years under United States leadership, Camp Aldercliff has gained and held the respect of a large community. Strange as it may seem to us, the great ebb and flow of the Bay of Fundy tides makes a swimming pool a most essential part of that camp's equipment!

"A Maritimes Camping Association is in the thinking of many camping people in the East. The desire is there

but the inevitable problem is one of travel. Camps and their directors are located at really vast distances from one another, a problem of time and space as great as that in our Western provinces. But the Association will come as camping people become more aware that camping philosophy is on the move, that equipment needs are changing and that new and challenging opportunities need constant and mutual study. *En avant*, Maritimes, and good success!"

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You who are removed from the core of things at National Office cannot visualize the loyalty and zeal with which the Editorial Committee is surrounded at all times. We were on the spot for a personality story for Among Ourselves; FERNA GRAHAM HALLIDAY gave graciously and generously of her time to hustle together the delightful story about a great camper, Miss Mabel C. Jamieson. . . . Then there is that busy person, MARJORIE McBRIDE, just back from trips to everywhere, it seems, yet able to report a Lab-for-Leaders experiment which will be invaluable to directors of many types of camping. . . . Although MARY EDGAR tells us she should remain in the background, the Camping Association has other ideas, and plans to include her at as many meetings and events as possible. . . . And the winsome father-and-daughter horse story came from HELEN CANZANO, in the first mail to arrive after the office re-opened. . . . From the Boy Scouts, and again on short notice, SYD YOUNG furnished a brilliant account of the greatest Scout gathering we have ever known. . . . The ever-popular J. E. ANDERSON, M.D., "Doctor Jim"

to the boys, and doctor-director of the Boy Scout camps in Haliburton, has transferred to paper his enthusiasm for nature, and the joy of teaching it. . . . Although she is Executive Director of the Elizabeth Fry Society, PHYLLIS HASLAM makes time for Girl Guide work, went on the Adventure Train as Dominion Ranger Adviser for Canada, and came home to write this account. . . . These are the people who make the magazine, and we are endlessly grateful for their generous support. Thank you, from all of us on the Editorial Committee!

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## **O.C.A. Conference**

This year the Ontario Camping Association Annual Conference will be held at the Royal York Hotel on March 2nd and 3rd, 1956.

Clifford Labbett, the 1956 Conference Chairman, announced the bold change in site that presages another step upward for the camping movement. For several years, various members have pressed for such a move, one that would lend to the Conference the prestige it rightly deserves. Each year has seen it grow in size and quality; first outgrowing the Y.W.C.A., and last year bulging the walls of the Y.M.C.A. It was imperative that we find a larger location.

A dearth of suitable convention sites in Toronto, and years of searching, inevitably brought the conference committee back to the only suitable location, Toronto's two largest hotels. However, the increased costs involved in making such a move have caused many to balk in the past, and it is to Mr. Labbett's

credit that he and his committee have had the courage to take the big step.

The main mezzanine floor, which includes the Tudor Room and private dining rooms 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8, have been rented for Friday and Saturday. These provide enlarged space for exhibits and work shop sessions, with all the accompanying comfort, convenience, elegance and prestige only the Royal York can provide.

The full facilities of the hotel will be at our disposal, and if any members wish overnight accommodations, they should contact either the Royal York Hotel directly or Mr. B. G. Lowes, c/o Ontario Camping Association, 170 Bloor Street West, Toronto 5, Ontario, immediately. Other conventions held concurrently are sure to cause a scarcity.

The Conference Committee is already at work lining up guest speakers and discussion leaders to head up workshops on timely topics of vital interest to all camp people. All members will be kept abreast of developments as the programme crystalizes.

Moving the conference to the largest hotel in the Commonwealth is an ambitious undertaking which will need the loyal support of everyone interested in camping, if it is to succeed. A special welcome is extended to members from other provinces and delegates from regional sections of the American Camping Association.

Be sure to mark Friday and Saturday, March 2nd and 3rd, on your calendar, and plan to attend the Ontario Camp-

ing Association Conference at the Royal York Hotel.

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## ***Come To Detroit***

Everyone will want to make plans now to be in Detroit for the great 1956 Convention of the American Camping Association.

Plans now developing for the programme of the Convention indicate that it will be a meeting well worth the time and effort of attending.

Several speakers of national name and reputation have already agreed to appear on the programme and subsequent flyers will mention their names as well as additional information concerning their presentations.

In addition to the great Convention programme, the welcome mat is out in Detroit. It's a town of many attractions, including giant auto plants, beautiful parks, and interesting historical museums, including famous Greenfield Village, great new shopping centres and many fine shops. The Cranbrook Institutions and other prominent educational centres, a beautiful new Civic Centre rising on the waterfront—all will add much to your pleasure in attending the Convention.

In addition to some of the fine features of past Conventions, private camp folk especially will be interested in knowing that Mr. Fred Rogers of Minnesota, Vice-President of the American

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# AMONG OURSELVES

BY FERNA GRAHAM HALLIDAY



*Miss Mabel C Jamieson*

From a city of women who have pioneered in various fields hails Miss Mabel C. Jamieson. Hamilton born and bred, she attended Hamilton Collegiate Institute and after her school days entered the University of Toronto, to take a course in Philosophy and to graduate as a gold medalist. In all the future phases of her activities with both young people and old, this excellent training has shown itself, as she brought to the camping movement a well-trained, enquiring mind, which made her decisions correct and interesting, founded as they were on well-thought-out ideals of what was worthwhile.

For the first five years after graduation, Miss Jamieson was National Secretary for the Women's Student Christian Movement, in which position she travelled from coast to coast, visiting Canadian Universities and giving valuable leadership to the women students.

For the next five years, Miss Jamieson was General Secretary of the Montreal YWCA. During her term

there, her initiative was responsible for a fine new building and for the training of many young people who went, under her influence, to do constructive work with the YWCA and other agencies.

In camping activities her record is a varied one. Soon after leaving College, she was instrumental in inaugurating the School Girl Camps under the leadership of the YWCA. She it was who, while in Montreal, established Camp Oolahwan in the Laurentians for the Montreal YWCA.

It was 1921 when this busy executive resigned her position with the Montreal "Y", and after a breath-taking trip abroad, came back in 1922 to organize one of the first private camps for girls in Canada . . . Camp Ouareau, in the Laurentian Mountains and not far from Ste. Agathe.

Her former experience guided her in the choice of a suitable site for a camp; her knowledge of building stood as a

criterion in erecting the type of buildings best fitted for a camp. With such background, who could possess a broader outlook in selecting leaders of the character to instill in young people the ideals for which the Camping Association now stands?

Miss Jamieson's work and ideals during her time at Camp Ouareau left on many a teen-age girl a deep impression. She possessed that happy faculty of being able to pass on to others, both staff and campers, her enthusiasm for and knowledge of the great out-of-doors. She bequeathed something else, too: her methods of cooperating with others for a worthwhile goal, and above all, strong leadership in showing younger people that life, to be worthwhile, must be a life of service.

Beloved by her campers, staff and French-Canadian neighbours, Miss Jamieson left Ouareau to found what she had always felt to be a real need in Canada: The French Colony in the Laurentians.

The French Colony was founded for men and women on a pretty bay in Lake Ouareau, for the study of French literature and as an effort to foster French conversation and an appreciation of what the French language has to offer in a cultural way. For this work, Miss Jamieson was admirably fitted. In addition to her work in French at the University, she had always continued her study of the language for her own pleasure. She gathered around her outstanding French instructors, and for a number of years the French Colony, besides giving instruction in French, gave many people a happy holiday.

Family responsibilities, however, ultimately made it necessary for her to give this up, and now she is living happily at Streetsville, Ontario.

Her environment there is one she has always loved, living comfortably on the banks of the Credit River, writing, studying and enjoying the bird life, doing some philosophical reading, and entertaining her many friends who enjoy and benefit immensely from time spent with her.

To Miss Jamieson go the sincere best wishes of all those she has encouraged and helped along Life's Way, and the wish that her life will always be as absorbing and as challenging to her as it has been in the past.

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# **Jamboree**

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# **New Horizons**

By SYD YOUNG

*Field Commissioner,  
Toronto Metropolitan Region*

Take a trip with me into the past to August 18, 1955. Where the waters of Niagara flow into Lake Ontario, here at historic Niagara-on-the-Lake, in the shadows of the ramparts and cannon of Fort George and Fort Niagara, was the site of the Eighth World Jamboree, the Jamboree of New Horizons. This was the hunting and battleground of Seneca, Huron, Iroquois, Chippewa—such chiefs as Brant, Big Kettle, Red Jacket, Parker, Tecumseh, led their tribes in peace and war where our tents were pitched. Camplain, Le Moyne, La Salle explored and traded here. The U.E.L. set up communities and farmed this productive land. Here courageous General Brock and Laura Secord defended the boundaries. This is the Niagara Fruit Belt, yielding its bounty of grapes, cherries, peaches—the fruit basket of Canada. Here is the cradle of Upper Canada History, steeped in tradition and Canadian folklore. This perfect spot was the home of 10,000 Scouts from 64 countries, for 10 unforgettable days, from August 18 to 28, 1955.

Let's take a look at the campsite. Got your low shoes on? Good, because it's two square miles. From afar you hear the buzz of voices, you see the blue haze of cooking fires. As you turn the corner off the main street, you see tents of all shapes and sizes and colours,

and boys of all shapes and sizes and colours, too. Framed on two sides by the sparkling river and lake, a beautiful bush of oak trees on the third, and the old buildings of the village on the fourth, and over there to your right—no, further, that's it—is the arena, about the size of Varsity Stadium, seating 15,000. Church tents cater to all religions and creeds. Everywhere flutter flags and banners. Gateways mark the entrance to each Troop site—gateways to look like mosques, the Eiffel Tower, Big Ben, the Pyramids, Hindu temples, pagodas—decorated with bear skins, hides and things peculiar to the countries from which the Scouts hail.

Here's the main drag called "Queen's Parade". Those huge marquees house trading posts, canteens and restaurants for visitors. Here we see Indian Scouts





with their coloured turbans. They started in February to arrive. Here are Jamaican boys enjoying Eskimo pies, German boys in their leather shorts and colourful suspenders, French Scouts from Paris trying to understand their French-Canadian cousins, Cubans in gaudy straw hats, Mexicans in huge sombreros, Arab lads in their bright burnooses. Listen to that Swiss Scout showing off his yodeling. There's a group of Scottish boys, complete with kilt and sporran, seeing if they should invest in a piece of equipment from the Trading Post. Colour . . . action. Put on your glasses and move to one side. The youth of the world is getting together on Queen's Parade. We'll stand here for 10 minutes and watch the world go by. This is what we mean by New Horizons.. Not only for our brothers from overseas, but for our own Canadian Scouts, all sharing in experiencing new friendships and the worldwide spirit of Scouting.

Come on, let's get off the beaten track and take a look at a sub-camp. The Jamboree was divided into 10 sub-camps: Pacific, Rockies, Prairies, Timberlands, Hudson Bay, St. Lawrence, Alouettes, Bonaventures, Atlantic, Great Lakes. Let's take a look at Hudson Bay. In this sub-camp there are 2,500 boys. We see neat lines of tents pitched in among a shady group of oak trees. There's a gang of budding chefs cooking a mess of flapjacks. Here's a kid trying to get across the idea that he wants an Austrian boy to eat supper with his patrol this evening. Over there are a group of American fellows swapping badges with Greek Scouts. There's a patrol of Toronto lads teaching some Negro chaps from the Gold Coast how to do a Virginia Reel. There's a baseball game in progress between some Toronto boys and an Australian bunch—they'll take them on at cricket tomorrow. Music—there's music everywhere. Not good, but loud and full of lusty

voices. Banjos, guitars, kazoos, accordions, mouth organs and ordinary pots getting the bejeepers beat out of them. Singing everywhere you turn, Scout songs known internationally and folk songs. At the Jamboree, music is the language of the world.

The patrols of eight Scouts cooked their meals over charcoal. Some wonderful and wierd concoctions were produced. I personally enjoyed a meal prepared by French Scouts which would have been a credit to any professional chef. I also saw Nigerian Scouts frying pieces of watermelon! However, in the majority of cases, boys left the Jamboree with a satisfied smile and a notch or two let out of their belts.

Let's go to the Arena. Up through a gay flag plaza, where the flags of all Scouting countries, 64 of them, are flapping merrily away. The Canadian Pageant is about to begin. It takes us through the history of Canada, from the time of the Norsemen, Cabot, Champlain, Confederation, the mining booms, oilwells, Kitimat. Each evening a different show will be presented by a group of countries. In this same arena during the afternoon, special agencies will stage shows such as jet aircraft and parachute jumps by the Air Force, displays by the Army and Navy, Lands and Forests. We even had an offer to go over the Falls in a barrel!

At the closing ceremonies, I think Major General Spry, Director of the International Bureau, summed up the Jamboree with the following words. He said:

"Brother Scouts, this has been the Jamboree of New Horizons; New Horizons of a geographical nature in that many of you have come great distances from many countries. You have trav-

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*We are grateful to Miss Mary Edgar for giving us permission to reprint some of the selections from Woodfire and Candle-Light, her first book of poems, which is now out of print.*

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# **WOODFIRE AND CANDLE-LIGHT**

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And human limitations melt away.  
God's great reserve of kindling, conquering power  
Is ours to draw from for the hardest  
day.

## **WHEN YOU LEAVE CAMP**

The friendly little paths I know  
Will miss your glad young feet;  
The hillside and the forests  
The sound of laughter sweet;  
The dancing waves upon the lake  
Will miss canoe and sail;  
All silent in the shadowed woods  
Will be your well-worn trail.

The singing birds will miss your songs,  
The stars your wondering eyes;  
The ever-changing sunsets  
Your look of hushed surprise.  
You leave behind the beauty  
Of all the hills you trod,  
But in your heart you take away  
More lasting gifts of God.

## **A LEGACY TO A CAMPER**

If I had power to make this will  
I would bequeath to you  
The child-like sense of wonder  
To last the long years through.

Wonder—the gift of magic sight,  
To see with eager eyes  
Each miracle of beauty  
In forest, lake and skies;

The scarlet flames of autumn,  
The tender shades of spring,  
The luna moth unfolding  
Her gossamer green wing;

The clear call of the hermit thrush,  
The crescent moon swung low,  
The sunset from a hilltop,  
The firelight's ruddy glow.

A legacy of wonder!  
Could you but guess its worth!  
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Would so transform the earth.

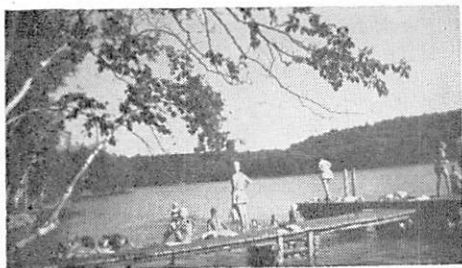
Wonder enough to squander  
On every glad surprise,  
For every golden morning,  
For every new emprise

If I had power to make this will,  
I would bequeath to you  
The child-like sense of wonder  
To last the long years through.

# GIRL GUIDE ADVENTURE CAMP

PHYLLIS HASLAM,

*Executive Director,  
Elizabeth Fry Society*



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The train jerked to a stop and suddenly the quiet wayside station was filled with a gay throng of laughing campers who poured from the three cars of the Trans Canada train. These were the 108 fortunate Guides, Girl Scouts and Rangers who had been chosen from all across Canada and the United States to participate in the Girl Guide Adventure Camp which was held near Lake O'Hara in the heart of the Rockies.

From the moment each girl heard that she had been selected to attend the camp, the adventure had started. The kit list stirred the imagination, for this was to be a climbing and hiking camp, and special equipment was needed. Not the smallest part of the adventure lay in trying to fit that same equipment into the dunnage bag and knapsack which was all the luggage allowed.

Each girl knew that she would have some things in common with the other members of the group. All would be between the ages of 16 and 18. All would have passed a fairly strict medical exam. Love and experience of camping would be a bond. Each had demonstrated that she had good leadership

potential, and all were eager for adventure.

But part of this adventure lay in the differences each girl would find within the group. The Maritimer, seeing for the first time the wealth and expanse of the prairie, would try to interpret to her new found prairie friend the beauty of the sea. The city dweller would gain new insight into the life of the farmer as she listened to the girl who had always lived in a rural community. The culture, custom and language of a group which differed from her own would be seen as a source for enriching Canadian life after she had been enriched by getting to know a person from that group. Religious understanding and tolerance grows when one lives together with people who have a different expression of religion than one's own.

The campers in each car were divided into four groups, and each group elected a representative to the train council. This group made decisions about such things as regulations governing girls who wished to leave the main group during stopovers, programme on the train, time for meals and



lights out, etc. They were also responsible for seeing that all members of their group got safely on the train, and for welcoming newcomers as they joined the train. Two groups of girls undertook the planning of meals and the purchasing and preparation of food for the train journey.

As much as the girls enjoyed the trip, the high point of the adventure lay in the camp, itself, held in the beautiful Yoho National Park.

Perhaps we might rejoin that gay group of campers as they moved the luggage into a shelter from which the pack-horses would take it slowly but surely up the mountain trail to the camp-site. It was up this same trail that the group now made its way. All had been advised to wear hiking clothes and to carry a sweater, a raincoat, a change of socks, moleskin, and a lunch. This, we soon found, was standard equipment on all hikes. "The trail", we were told "is seven miles long and not much climbing", but to the inexperienced campers, climbing in the rain, the 1,000 ft. ascent over a road which seemed to be twenty miles long, was the first challenge. Tired, wet and hungry, but still in good spirits, the campers finally reached the camp to find a warm welcome and a good hot dinner awaiting them.

For two days the group stayed on the camp-site while all became used to altitude. This also provided an opportunity for the building of the necessary camp gadgets so that all could live comfortably in a pioneer setting. Sunday was the second day of camp. A beautiful morning service was held in a lovely valley with majestic Cathedral mountains forming the background. The

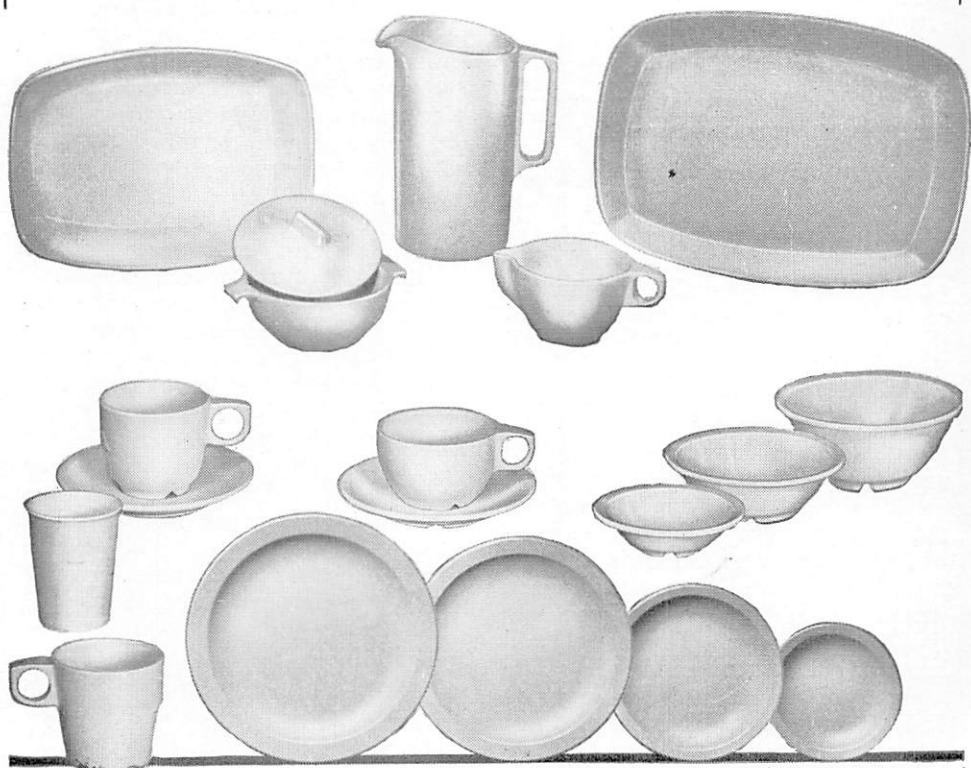
service was barely over when the camp was invaded by a horde of TV camera men.

By Monday the campers were "rarin' to go" and set out on hikes to near by lakes and crystal caves. These hikes gave campers an opportunity to learn from the staff members, who were experienced Alpine Club members, the correct way to do mountain hiking and climbing. Great stress was laid on the correct way to walk and to breathe, etc. These lessons learned early enabled the campers to progress steadily toward more difficult hikes. Few will forget the joy and wonder of watching the sun rise from the meadows high up on the side of the mountain, and it will be a long time before one has again the same sense of exhilaration and achievement as was experienced by those who took part in the final hike of camp. Roped together, the group had moved slowly up the snow-bound trail to the pass. From this vantage point one looked back over the now familiar valley, then turned and looked on into the valley beyond. This was a hike of between twenty and twenty-five miles yet none showed real fatigue.

While hiking was the main feature of the camp, other programme interests had been indicated by the campers before reaching the camp. Using this information the camp council planned all the details of the camp programme, opportunities for crafts, nature lore, photography and camp-craft, as well as sessions on leadership training which were provided. Perhaps it was that singing that expressed the feelings of the group most adequately—gay, reverent, harmonious, enthusiastic. These were the characteristics of the 1955 Adventure Camp.

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*A story of a leadership training experiment held at Sylvan Lake, Alberta, as told by its supervisor, Marjorie McBride, Associate Secretary, Department of Christian Education, Canadian Council of Churches.*

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## A LAB-FOR-C.G.I.T.-LEADERS AT CAMP

During a leadership training experiment held at Kasota Beach camp on Sylvan Lake, Alberta for ten days in August the students all replied in the affirmative when asked if they would like to see this type of camp another year! All were C.G.I.T. leaders or prospective leaders who came to the Lab to learn something about group leadership. The Lab was a camp of thirty-six teen-age girls, and twelve adult experienced staff members representing Canadian Girls In Training groups from all over Alberta who were invited to send one or two members each.

The campers' programme was a C.G.I.T. camp programme and, in some respects, more of a camp conference than a camp, to include swimming, sports, campfire programmes, special out-door events, worship periods, study and hobby groups and C.G.I.T. Council Sessions.

Simply stated the purpose of the Lab-for-C.G.I.T.-Leaders was to provide an opportunity for group leaders to receive training through observation and, if possible, some practice in working with teen-agers. The whole camp was a lab. The study groups held each morning were the units in which guided observation and evaluation took

place. There were five groups of teenagers—two intermediate groups, two senior groups and one mixed age group. The reason for this variety follows that in our churches in Alberta all three group combinations may be found. Each student-leader who came to the Lab would be leading in one of the three situations upon return to her church. Each student was able to observe in the group as nearly as possible like the one she would be leading.

When joining a study group for a day, the supervisor found seven or eight teenagers, an experienced counsellor or group leader, three students and probably a "control" person. The students observed the group in action throughout the session. The subject was a study of worship. The counselling





leader gave the girls an opportunity to plan their activities and carry them out. She encouraged discussion by using many essential group techniques. The students prepared for observation by studying the proposed course and the evaluation sheets. They also met with the counselling leader beforehand to consider her objectives and plans for the day. Students did not participate during a campers' session unless the counsellor made plans for one student to take a major role in leadership. Toward the end of the ten day camping period some of the students had the opportunity of leading discussions with the groups they had been observing. Students remained in the same groups for the nine sessions.

Following the campers' study period which sometimes continued for over an hour, the counselling leader, students and control person met to evaluate the session and to think through the next steps in the learning process of the group. The control person was able to help both the students and the leader get a clearer picture of the group experience. Evaluation sessions were usually an hour in length.

The students, campers, and counsellors had a number of other camp activities together as well—special camp cookouts, swimming and some recreation, Sunday worship and closing service, meals, a few campfire programmes. These all helped the students and campers to become better acquainted and to become a group.

The camper study groups were also cabin groups and the counselling leader was the cabin leader who not only led the study session but was the counsellor of the cabin. The students lived together in another part of the camp.

Some may wonder how the campers felt about having observers and so many adults around. Generally they really enjoyed the students. In the campers' evaluation of their experience the girls were quite impressed with having student observers with them and accepted observers as part of the group.

A note has already been made that the students background and training varied greatly. It was interesting to have in the same group an ordained minister, two professionally trained church workers, three or four mothers who have had some group leadership experience, one or two teachers and business girls with little group experience, an older teen-ager who had just graduated from C.G.I.T. Most of the students were in the twenty to thirty age group, although four were older and two were just under. In spite of these varied backgrounds and training everyone gained much from the experience. We tried to see the need of each student and to help her in the light of these needs. Students worked on various projects, usually in pairs but not necessarily.

All the staff members agreed that the experience was very worthwhile and a real challenge, although very hard work. Especially did the group leaders (counselling leaders) feel that it was demanding. One leader expressed it by saying that she "lived it continually". All said that they would like to be part of it again. What one counselling leader wrote about the experience seems to sum up what we all might have felt but would express in various ways: "in this group learning atmosphere, everyone seemed willing and anxious to see it work out and to help each other. To me the thing that meant the most was how so many found themselves—

each really facing up to herself and finding herself. We may try to do just this often and never come even close to succeeding, but here without consciously coming to camp for that purpose it happened . . . It is difficult for me to express, but I saw it and felt it happen in so many others as well as myself, that I feel it is significant. I also gained a new sense of what God can do with ordinary people. I saw much more that I wished might have been done but 'Rome wasn't built in a day'. It was a great privilege to be here and be part of this new project.

There are a number of things that we may consider changing in our next Lab, but one factor we are sure about—*this is one of the best known methods of educating leaders*—to observe theory in action and to try it.

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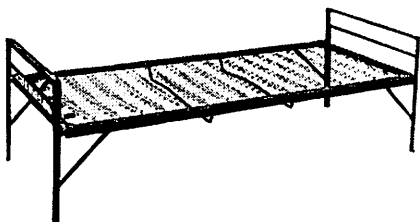
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Clement A. Duran.

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elled beyond your own local geographical horizons. Many of you have been guests in the homes of various countries. I hope you have all learned much from your travels. I hope you have sensed something of the size and nature of the globe we inhabit. I hope you have grasped something of the immensity of the world and yet are not unaware of the simple dignity with which many, with God's Grace, are attempting to live His daily life. If you have had feelings, even dimly realized, you will be aware of another New Horizon—a spiritual New Horizon. I hope this Jamboree has given you a conception of the infinite possibilities of the Brotherhood of Scouting which is, after all, nothing but the brotherhood of man cut down to boy's size.

“Beyond the New Horizon of time, in 1957 the Boy Scout Movement will celebrate its fiftieth Birthday and the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of our Founder, Lord Baden-Powell. In that year there will be an extra World Jamboree in Great Britain, the birthplace of Scouting. I hope many of you and your younger brothers will be able to attend.

“The time for farewells has come. I trust you will carry with you into your rapidly approaching manhood a readiness to search for physical, mental and spiritual New Horizons. I know that as Scouts you will have the courage and curiosity to continue your search. You boys will be men just as the Atomic Age begins to yield its peaceful gift. Many of you may live to see the Golden Age of peace and plenty so frequently and so earnestly desired. May great happiness and quiet satisfaction be with you on all the roads to this exciting New Horizon.”

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## ***Establishing A Camp Nature Programme***

This is the story of how a nature programme was organized at the Toronto Metropolitan Scout Camp in Haliburton this summer. The first part of the story deals with the setting up of a camp museum; the second, with an outline of the programme of nature instruction we followed.

The museum began as a large room in one of the staff cabins, devoid of furniture or other comforts usually associated with museums. This space would have been decidedly inadequate toward the end of the season had it not been that the business office was in an adjoining room and the business manager had an inborn disgust for reptiles. One day on entering his office he discovered a rather healthy-looking garter snake resting on his typewriter and promptly moved to different quarters.

Thus we acquired a museum work room which was furnished with a folding table and benches. A Coleman stove provided the heat for a tank of wax used in preserving each boy's leaf collection, and a quantity of cardboard, work paper, paint, crayons, and scissors were provided. Dissecting instruments and a microscope rounded out the supplies and guaranteed that this room presented a perpetual picture of industry, confusion, and disarray.

At the very beginning, it was decided on a procedure for the welcoming of new specimens and so a small card table was set up for the purpose. All additions to the museum were placed on this table with a note telling where it had been found and by whom. This camper was then directed to books where he could gather information on the specimen he had found. He then produced a short bit of deathless prose which was typed on a card to accompany the specimen when it entered the permanent collection. Thus all displays were of teaching value.

In the museum proper, shelves were built of scrap lumber along each of the four walls. A division was made of the available wall and shelf space so that a section was provided for each group of specimens: Wild flowers; leaves; fungus, ferns and moss; rocks and minerals; bird charts; invertebrate animals; and vertebrates. On the centre of each unit's wall space, a chart was placed showing the divisions of the subject on display. From this chart, ribbons ran down to examples in the museum.

For example, the vertebrate section showed a chart displaying the family tree of the animals with backbones. From the branch labelled REPTILES a ribbon directed attention to the tanks of snakes, the embryo turtle which left its egg too soon and too violently, and the vivacious young snapping turtle

called Nipper. From the accompanying cards, a simple but adequate knowledge of the whole group could be gained.

Wherever possible, living specimens were collected and kept in containers where their natural habitat was duplicated as closely as possible. Curators were appointed on a two-week basis and it was their duty to feed and otherwise cater to the comforts of the museum's inhabitants. The guests included such citizens as a family of mice who were raised from the eyedropper stage to full-fledged graham wafer orgies, two young deserted Kingfishers who consumed multitudes of minnows fed by entranced campers with forceps who acted as mother birds, a very hungry-looking leech, caterpillars who constructed cocoons with great gusto, and a young rabbit with a broken leg, who was fitted out with a plaster cast.

As the summer passed, we developed an aquarium, a spider home, trays containing rarer wild flowers, and an excellent teaching display of mounted tree leaves.

Dead animals were preserved in embalming fluid, each batch of which was brewed up with the enthusiasm of a medieval alchemist.

The museum was extended outdoors in the development of a nature trail with forty stops, labelled on round discs made from painted fruit juice tin lids. Strings ran out from the label to points of interest along the trail. Among the highlights of the tour was a beech tree scarred with bear-claw marks, a pitcher plant, the home of seven adolescent chipmunks, and a swampy area

guaranteed to show a variety of fresh animal tracks.

The nature programme was designed primarily as a training course leading to the Boy Scout Naturalist Badge. As such it was an elective activity, one of five possible programmes from which a camper could make his choice. Over one hundred campers chose this activity, which gives some indication of the popularity of a nature programme in a boys' camp.

Formal teaching consisted of a series of talks, demonstrations, and hikes covering the principles of tree identification, the families of animals, how to know the wild flowers, the common birds, microscopic life, and the world of insects. Emphasis was placed on basic principles rather than on large amounts of unrelated facts. In each category, campers were shown what to look for, how to record their observations carefully, and where to seek information that would explain the meaning of what they had seen..

Each camper collected, mounted, and labelled a selection of thirty tree leaves. He also chose a nature project in which he was interested, and worked independently on it. For example, some boys chose the anatomy of animals and prepared museum dissections, some of which were extremely good and make a valuable contribution to the museum's permanent collection.

At the end of each camping period, an examination was held to determine each boy's progress and evaluate his worth for Scout awards. This examination was run in a "musical chairs" man-

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*Our thanks to Mrs. Cosmo Canzano of Camp Coselen for Boys, Lake-of-Bays, Ontario, for her word picture of an unexpected-gift-turned-programme their campers will long remember.*

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# We Inherited A Horse

Since our camp is comparatively small, we have never bothered too much with expensive extras, like horseback riding, as we had believed such things were beyond our budget.

However, this year, through the generosity of one of our parents, we had the good fortune to have two horses added to our sports equipment. These two horses, father, a healthy adult, and daughter, an under-nourished two-year-old filly, have been inseparable since the birth of the younger one, and it was practically imperative to keep them together for their own health and happiness.

We had no facilities for keeping horses, and next to no knowledge or experience in looking after them, but with the help of a book and our own common sense, they were in better condition physically by the end of the summer, and more content than ever before. The benefit to the campers and leaders through this experiment was invaluable, as they all took a hand in feeding and caring for the animals, and their interest in this one activity carried over into many others.

The camp property is large enough so that pasturage was no problem, and the horses were allowed to roam at will.



This meant that the campers met them here, there and everywhere, and soon lost any fear of them as horses; in fact, they looked upon them as other campers!

We soon discovered that the filly, misnamed Glamour Girl, had an insatiable appetite for milk; her mother having died when she was born, she probably had never had enough. It was a common sight in the mornings to see Glamour Girl waiting behind the kitchen for her milk and any leftover cereal from the meal. She would make coaxing noises in her throat, and if anyone happened to walk by with a pail or parcel, she would follow along, nudging the pail for food.

This was only one of the many ways in which Glamour Girl endeared herself to the hearts of everyone, and the campers had a real education in the nature of horses; for many of them it was their first close association with a horse, and one they will not likely forget. Carrots, sugar, salt, and, of course, oats were all favourites on the equine menu, and the boys soon learned to feed the animals from their hands.

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ner, each stop consisting of specimens and displays with questions, to be answered concerning each.

In conclusion, this article has attempted to:

1. Show the method in which a camp museum may be set up in one season.
2. Emphasize the popularity of a nature programme in a summer camp.
3. Give an example of how a nature programme developed in one such camp.

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Horseback riding instruction was only one of the many advantages of having these pets around. It was not long until water-riding was added . . . that is, riding the horses bareback in the water for a swim. Riding trails through the woods were started in short order. They took much time and effort, but the boys enjoyed it. Our sing-songs, too, were enlivened by new words to a popular song, inspired by our new mascots:

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sung to the tune . . . you've guessed it! . . . Yellow Rose of Texas.

The loyalty of these two horses to each other was a lesson easily learned, as it was before us every day in a hundred ways. Belgia, the adult horse, was never far away from Glamour Girl, always ready to aid her and follow her if necessary to keep her from harm; and Glamour Girl never failed to answer when Belgia called, just as a child answers its parent.

The experiment this year has shown us one thing: that animals are an integral part of camp life, and that they can teach a child lessons he will never forget.

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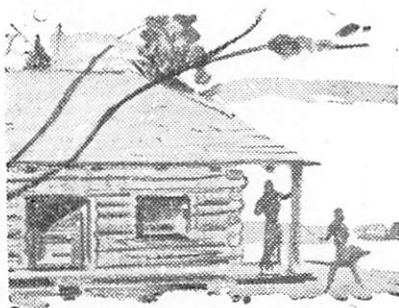
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